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SUBJECT: SAUDI FOREIGN MINISTER'S VISIT TO US TO ATTEND UNGA

1. ON AUGUST 18 POL CHIEF AND RSO MET WITH HASSAN SHAWWAF, CHEF DE CABINET TO FOREIGN MINISTER PRINCE SAUD AL FAISAL, AT SHAWWAF'S REQUEST, TO DISCUSS PRINCE SAUD'S TRAVEL TO THE U.S. IN CONNECTION WITH FORTHCOMING UNGA. OF PARTICULAR INTEREST TO SHAWWAF AT THIS TIME IS GETTING ARRANGEMENTS UNDERWAY FOR SECURITY DETAIL FOR PRINCE SAUD'S VISIT. SHAWWAF SAID THAT SECURITY ARRANGEMENTS LAST YEAR HAD BEEN EXCELLENT AND HE HOPED THAT WE WOULD DO AS WELL THIS YEAR. FURTHER DETAILS BY SEPTTEL IN SY CHANNEL.

2. PRINCE SAUD PLANS TO ARRIVE IN WASHINGTON BY COMMERCIAL AIRCRAFT SEPTEMBER 15 COMING FROM EITHER LONDON OR PARIS. WHILE IN WASHINGTON HE WILL STAY AT THE MADISON HOTEL. ON SEPT. 22 HE WILL TRAVEL TO HOUSTON AND ON SEPT 23 HE MAY FLY TO ST. LOUIS. HE WILL IN ANY CASE GO TO NEW YORK ON SEPT. 25 FOR THE UNGA. HE WILL REMAIN IN NEW YORK UNTIL ABOUT OCTOBER 5. HE AND HIS PARTY WILL STAY AT THE WALDORF TOWERS.

3. SHAWWAF WAS UNABLE TO GIVE ADDITIONAL DETAILS OF THE VISIT AT THIS TIME BUT PROMISED TO DO SO BY EARLY SEPTEMBER.

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AMBASSADOR ALIREZA WILL BE RETURNING TO THE KINGDOM THEN

TO GO OVER FINAL DETAILS OF THE SCHEDULE WITH PRINCE SAUD.
SHAWWAF SAID THAT AS SOON AS THE SCHEDULE HAD BEEN MORE OR
LESS PUT IN FINAL FORM HE WOULD BE GETTING BACK TO US TO
REQUEST OUR ASSISTANCE IN SUCH MATTERS AS "ARRANGING THE
TIME AND PLACE OF THE MEETING WITH DR. KISSINGER." SHAWWAF
SAID THIS IN A MANNER WHICH INDICATED THAT PRINCE SAUD
ASSUMES HE WILL MEET WITH THE SECRETARY, THOUGH WE HAVE
NOT RECEIVED A REQUEST FROM THE SAG FOR SUCH A MEETING.
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